



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

YAN, et al.

Serial No. 10/032,495

Filed: January 2, 2002

For: A Method For Producing A Population Of  
Homozygous Stem Cells Having A Pre-Selected  
Immunotype And/Or Genotype, Cells Suitable  
For Transplant Derived Therefrom, And Materials  
And Methods Using Same

Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Li, Qian Janice

Atty. Docket: 967039.00002

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102**

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Sir:

Comes now the Applicants, by and through the undersigned attorney/agent, and  
petition the Commissioner to make their application special under M.P.E.P. 708.02 (XII).

In support of the above Petition to Make Special, Applicants confirm that they are  
legally classified as a small entity. Additionally, the subject of the patent application is a  
major asset of the Applicant. Further, the development of the technology will be  
significantly impaired if examination of the patent application is delayed due to  
diminishing financial support from outside investors.

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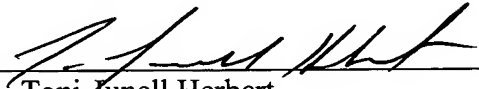
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The petition fee of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) is enclosed herewith. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0622.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this petition and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-noted application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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